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House of Representatives
 Washington, D.C. 20515

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Mr. William Colby
 Director
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 Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Colby:

The Subcommittee on International Trade and Commerce will resume hearings soon on the Arab economic boycott of Israel, having under consideration H.R. 4967 and other bills relating to the boycott. As background in preparing for these hearings, we would like very much to have analysts from the Central Intelligence Agency brief members in executive session.

While the interests of the Subcommittee extend to all aspects of the Arab boycott, we are particularly interested in the Agency's information on the most recent meeting of the Arab Boycott Conference held in Cairo August 23 to September 3. Who attended or was represented at the meetings from both Arab and Western nations? To the best of the Agency's knowledge, what transpired? What is the background of the major officials of the boycott organization? What is known (beyond press accounts) of how the boycott and the boycott organization operate?

I hope we can arrange a meeting sometime the week of November 3. My staff consultant, Roger Majak, is available at 225-3246 to discuss details with your staff.

Sincerely,

Jonathan B. Bingham
 Chairman
 Subcommittee on International
 Trade and Commerce

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MEMORANDUM FOR: ~~EWP~~ (PW/LL/HR)

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A request from the House International Relation's Committee for a briefing on the Arab boycott: OLC has the action, but I imagine we'll be getting a request for briefers.

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